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REPORT

TOPIC Military Activities in the Area of the Third Shock Army and in Neustrelitz

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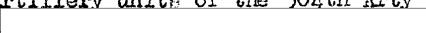
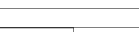


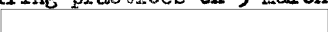

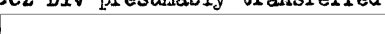




1. At 0300 on 11 March 1955, 15 x 100-mm AT guns, 50 trucks [redacted] and 15 boxcarloads of soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia were detrained at the Burg railroad station. [redacted] 1 25X1
2. Between 10 and 13 March, the following columns passed over the northern road bridge (Wilhelm Pieck Bruecke) in Magdeburg:  
10 March: At 0100, 6 M-13 rocket launchers, 8 x 120-mm mortars, 15 radio trucks and 64 trucks [redacted] which proceeded toward Herrenkrug Kaserne (5283). 2 25X1  
12 March: At 1415, 17 trucks with pontoons which proceeded westward. Between 1630 and 1930, 12 x 100-mm AT guns, 14 prime movers, 13 trucks [redacted] some of which were occupied by soldiers, and 2 field kitchens which proceeded westward. 25X1  
13 March: Between 0340 and 0700, 10 columns totaling 4 tanks, 2 SP guns, 12 rocket launchers, 12 medium and 1 light AA gun, 8 x 57-mm and 4 x 85-mm AT guns, 12 x 120-mm and 2 x 160-mm mortars, 11 armored personnel carriers, 4 armored scout cars, 66 signal vehicles, 4 ambulances, 8 jeeps and approximately 240 trucks, which came from the Herrenkrug Kaserne and Anger Kaserne (5284) and proceeded westward. 3  
3. At 1100 on 12 March, 11 tractors [redacted] which came from the Generalfeldzeugmeister Kaserne, were entrained at the Brandenburg-Altstadt railroad station. Three of the tractors were to be dispatched to Neuruppin and 8 to Schwerin. 4 25X1
4. On 9 March, soldiers at drill and at training on 85-mm AT guns were inspected in the Flak Kaserne (2002) in Brandenburg. 5
5. At 0730 on 15 March, 5 M-31 and 2 M-13 rocket launchers and 8 trucks were unloaded at the Neustrelitz railroad station for the restricted area on Gerhard Hauptmann Strasse; and 6 x 122-mm field howitzers, 1 x 76-mm AT gun and 23 trucks [redacted] were unloaded for the Alte Grenadier Kaserne. 6 25X1

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1.  Comment. The unloading involved artillery units of the 304th Arty Brig of the LXXIX Itz Rifle Corps which  transferred to Burg from Jaevenitz and Gardelegen on 6 trains .  
  
The present information confirms the brigade in Burg until 11 March 1955. 25X1  
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2.  Comment. Units of the 19th Gds Mecz Div, which transferred to the Letzling Heath for firing practices on 3 March, probably returned to their installations.  25X1  
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3.  Comment. Elements of the 19th Gds Mecz Div presumably transferred to the Letzling Heath for exercises which  25X1  
 may have also involved units of the 36th Pza Bridge Regt of GSFG. 25X1  
According to the number of guns, the mortars can only belong to the 573d Mort Regt of the division which can thus be confirmed in the Herrenkrug and Anger Kasernen in Magdeburg until 13 March 1955. Available information indicated that the 2503d Gds AAA Regt has been stationed in Hillersleben. It is therefore possible that the 12 medium AA guns belonged to the 3d Gds AAA Div which also transferred to the Letzling Heath in order to participate in the exercises of the division. 25X1
4.  Comment. It is assumed that surplus tractors of the 124th Hv How Arty Brig were turned in, particularly for the 4th Gds Arty Brig in Schwerin. Other reports indicated that the heavy brigade received approximately 40 tractors with T-34 chassis from the USSR prior to late February . 25X1
5.  Comment. Recruits of the 20th Army AT Arty Brig were apparently inspected on 9 March. 25X1
6.  Comment. Artillery units of the 9th Gds Tank Div returned from firing practices at Jueterbog. Shipments of these units were repeatedly confirmed. 25X1

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